Public Utilities Commission Agenda

Thursday, October 10, 2013

9:30 AM start time

Utilities represented: Telecom, Energy Facilities, Natural Gas, Electricity

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DELIBERATION ITEMS

No Items

DECISION ITEMS

*1 P6898/M-12-1101 Blue Jay Wireless, LLC Approved.

In the Matter of the Petition of Blue Jay Wireless, LLC (Blue Jay) for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) in Minnesota.

Should the Commission approve Blue Jay's petition for ETC designation? (PUC: **Briefing Papers - O'Grady**)

**2 P999/C-12-1136 All Telephone Companies Pulled. *PULLED*

In the Matter of a Commission Investigation into Interexchange Carrier Intrastate Access Recovery Fees.

What action, if any, should the Commission take regarding intrastate access recovery fees? (PUC: **Fournier**)

3, 4 IP6701/CN-09-1186; New Era Wind Farm, LLC; Withdrawal accepted; site IP6701/WS-08-1233; AWA Goodhue Wind, LLC; permit revoked; dockets closed.

E002/M-09-1349; Xcel Energy

E002/M-09-1350

In the Matter of AWA Goodhue Winds, LLC's Application for a Site Permit for a 78 MW Large Wind Energy Conversion System in Goodhue County;

In the Matter of AWA Goodhue Winds, LLC's Application for a Certificate of Need for a 78 MW Large Wind Energy Conversion System in Goodhue County;

In the Matter of Xcel Energy for Approval of Power Purchase Agreements with Goodhue Wind/New Era Wind, LLC.

Should the Commission accept the request for withdrawal of New Era's certificate of need and site permit and close the dockets? Should the Commission find that the Power Purchase Agreements have been terminated by the parties and close the dockets? (PUC: <u>Briefing Papers</u> - **DeBleeckere**)

5 G007,011/D-13-442 Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation Accepted filing without requiring implementation of rates; found approved depreciation rates reasonable; set 2014 annual depreciation review date.

Request by Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation for its Annual Review of Depreciation Rates for 2013. (PUC: Bender; DOC: <u>Response Comments</u> - St. Pierre) **NOTE:** Staff agrees with the recommendations of the Department of Commerce.

6 G011/AI-13-623 Minnesota Energy Approved updated tax Resources Corporation allocation agreement.

Request by Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation for Approval of a Tax Allocation Agreement. (PUC: Bender; DOC: <u>Comments</u> - St. Pierre) **NOTE:** Staff agrees with the recommendations of the Department of Commerce.

7 G004/M-13-334	Great Plains Natural Gas	Approved 2012 DSM financial
	Co., a Division of MDU	incentive and timing, 2012 CIP
	Resources Group, Inc.	tracker account, and CCRA and
	_	issue date; bill message
		required.

Great Plains Natural Gas Co.'s, A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., Request for Approval of its Proposed 2012 Conservation Improvement Program Tracker Account, Including a Proposed Conservation Cost Recovery Adjustment and a Proposed Demand Side Management Financial Incentive for 2012. (PUC: Mackenzie; DOC: Comments - Lahd) NOTE: Staff agrees with the recommendations of the Department of Commerce.

8 E001/M-13-240

Interstate Power and Light Company

Approved 2012 DSM financial incentive, 2012 electric CIP tracker account, and 2013/2014 CCRA.

Request by Interstate Power and Light Company for Approval of the Company's Electric Conservation Cost Recovery Adjustment and 2012 Electric Demand Side Management Financial Incentive. (PUC: Mackenzie; DOC: <u>Comments</u> - Davis) **NOTE:** Staff agrees with the recommendations of the Department of Commerce.

9 G001/M-13-241

Interstate Power and Light Company

Approved 2012 DSM linear financial incentive and timing, 2012 CIP tracker account, and gas CCRA and timing; required compliance filing; required use of DOC recommended bill message.

Request by Interstate Power and Light Company for Approval of the Company's 2012 Conservation Cost Recovery Adjustment and 2012 Natural Gas Demand Side Management Financial Incentive. (PUC: Mackenzie; DOC: Comments - Davis)

NOTE: Staff agrees with the recommendations of the Department of Commerce.

10 G002/M-13-248

Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy

Approved DSM financial incentive and gas CIP tracker accounts; set timing of implementation of gas CIP adjustment factor; approved bill message; continued required monthly accounting.

Petition by Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, for Approval of a Proposed 2012 Gas Demand Side Management Financial Incentive; the Conservation Cost Recovery Contained in its Conservation Improvement Program (CIP) Tracker Account for its Natural Gas (Gas) CIP; and a Proposed Gas CIP Adjustment Factor. (PUC: Revised Decision Options-Mackenzie; DOC: Comments / Reply Comments - Lahd) NOTE: Staff agrees with the recommendations of the Department of Commerce.

11 E015/M-13-215

Minnesota Power

Approved tracker account activity and DSM incentive; approved variance to combine CPA with FCA on bills; approve CPA and timing thereof.

Minnesota Power's 2012 Conservation Improvement Program Consolidated Filing. (PUC: Mackenzie; DOC: <u>Revised Comments</u> - Davis) **NOTE:** Staff agrees with the recommendations of the Department of Commerce.

12 E017/M-13-171 Otter Tail Power Company Approved CIP tracker account, 2013/2014 CCRA, and incentive

level; granted variance.

Otter Tail Power Company's 2012 Demand Side Management Financial Incentive Project and Annual Filing to Update the CIP Rider. (PUC: Mackenzie; DOC: Comments - Davis)

NOTE: Staff agrees with the recommendations of the Department of Commerce.

**13 E002/M-13-624 Northern States Power Approved. Company d/b/a Xcel Energy

In the Matter of the Petition of Northern States Power Company for Approval of an Amendment to the Laurentian Energy Authority I, LLC Power Purchase Agreement.

Should the Commission approve the Second Amendment to the Second Amended and Restated Biomass Power Purchase Agreement between Xcel Energy and the Laurentian Energy Authority, LLC? (PUC: <u>Briefing Papers</u> - Fournier, Rebholz)

^{*} One star indicates agenda item is unusual but is not disputed.

^{**} Two stars indicate a disputed item or significant legal or procedural issue to be resolved. (Ex Parte Rules apply)